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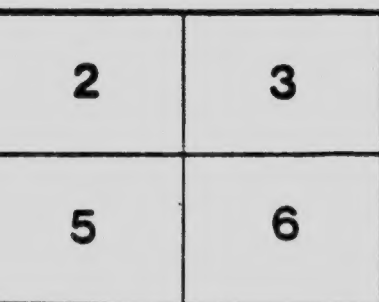
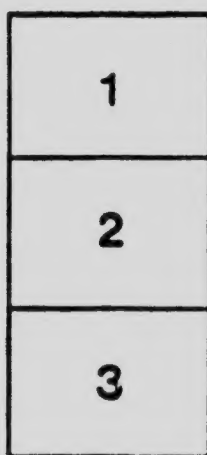
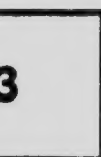
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FOR PRESBYTERY CONVENORS
and other LEADERS
in S.S. and Y.P.S. Work.**

**OUTLINE
OF
THE CONTINUATION CAMPAIGN
OF
THE FORWARD MOVEMENT
IN CONNECTION WITH
SUNDAY SCHOOLS
AND
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES
1920 - 21**

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The CONTINUATION CAMPAIGN
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The reward of this is more work and of duty well done increased responsibility. It is so with all leaders in the Forward Movement and indeed with all our people. Having raised 5,000,000 dollars we have now to spend it, which means spiritual life, evangelistic zeal, recruits for service, dedication of youth.

The campaign for "money" must be followed by a crusade for "life" and while the objectives in connection with the latter effort cannot be so easily scheduled the Church feels it must be gone after in somewhat the same definite and united way.

Every department of the Church is appealed to, to play its part in bringing about the results sought for and because of its strategic position as the special custodian of the young the part to be played by Sunday Schools and Young People's organizations will of necessity be a specially arduous and responsible one. This fact has been recognized by the General Board of the Church in requesting that,

in the promotion of several of the major objectives of the campaign such as Home Religion and Life Service, the Board of Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies be associated with its Forward Movement Committee.

This lays at the door of our Synod and Presbytery Conveners and other leaders in S.S. and Y.P.S. work at once both new distinction and increased responsibility, and this outline is written with a view to assisting them and their committees to meet the special demands of this campaign in the promotion of its programme.

THE PROGRAMME

FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

1. The Sunday Schools' Obligation to Increased Efficiency in its Regular Work

To relax in any way the tension of efficiency in any department of our stated work, on the plea of serving a special propaganda would be a poor tribute to the work we are now doing, and a very doubtful advantage to the Movement concerned. Our Sunday Schools are a sort of home base for all the life and activities of the Church and these flourish to a large extent according to the degree of general efficiency maintained by us. With this in view the Board has revised and rewritten its programme for each department of the School and has issued up-to-date Topic Cards containing a bird's eye view of the

entire programme for the use of the boys and girls in those departments requiring a through-the-week training course.

With these available helps a fresh endeavour should be made in every Presbytery to raise the slogan "An adequate programme of religious education, worship, instruction and training for every department of every school."

The first and fundamental contribution of our Sunday Schools to the Church's Continuation Programme is to reach and maintain and up-to-the-standard efficiency in their local congregations. That standard includes the following ten features, an explanation of which together with notice of new helps will be found in the Board's new pamphlet entitled "The Sunday School's Share in the Churches' Continuation Campaign," intended for the use of all local Sunday School workers.

1. Cradle Roll and Home Department.
2. Organized Classes with through-the-week training for older boys and girls and for young people.
3. Teacher Training and Leadership.
4. Graded Organization and Instruction
5. Missionary Instruction and Offering.
6. Temperance Instruction and Good Citizenship.
7. Church Membership and Life Service.
8. Workers' Monthly Conference.
9. Use of our own Outline Curriculum.
10. Rally Day Fund.

All these regular features receive a new importance, direction, and inspiration because of the Forward Movement Programme.

2. The Sunday School's Share in the Church's Continuation Campaign.

The following definite and special objectives were agreed upon by the Board as indicating the part the Sunday Schools should play in the new programme of the Church. These were approved by the Assembly at Ottawa and recommended to all Congregations, Presbyteries and Synods for their co-operation.

All Homes holding Family Worship.

All Babies on Cradle and Baptismal Rolls

All Children attending Church Worship.

All Older Boys and Girls brought into Full Church Membership.

All Schools following Church's Programme of Instruction, Worship and Training.

All Teen Age and Young People Organized for Training.

All Children and Youth receiving Adequate Missionary Instruction and challenged to definite Christian Service.

1,000 New Sunday Schools.

100,000 New Sunday School Scholars.

20,000 New Teachers in Training (along with Young People.

1,000 Recruits for Life Service (along with Young People.)

One-tenth of Congregation's share of Budget.

20 per cent. increase each year in Offering to Rally Day Fund.

These objectives will be found enlarged upon in the Board's Report to Assembly available in pamphlet form, also in the Board's pamphlet "The Sunday School's Share in the Church's Continuation Campaign," available for general distribution.

FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE

1. Reaching up to the Young People's Standard in the Local Congregation.

Our special effort last year in behalf of the Young People gave a decided stimulus to the work in this Department, resulting in many Presbyterian Rallies being held and permanent organization effected in not a few. This new interest we must seek to deepen and to spread throughout the Presbyteries of the Church.

Our first aim is to secure a live up to the standard Young People's work in every congregation and this will be our best contribution to the Church's contemplated advance.

That Standard, recently revised, includes the following ten points which will be found explained and enlarged upon in the Board's new pamphlet "The Young People and the Continuation Programme of the Forward Movement" intended for general distribution among the young people this autumn.

1. A Young People's Organization.
2. An Annual Survey.
3. A thorough Enlistment.
4. A complete Programme.
5. Social Fellowship and Recreation.
6. Training in Leadership.
7. Missions.
8. Dedication of Life and Service.
9. Forward Movement.
10. Rally Day Fund.

2. Linking up with the Church's Forward Movement Programme.

As in the case of the Sunday School so with the the young people the Board is anxious not only to make this a year of greatly increased local efficiency, but to make both the children and the young people a real force in the Church's contemplated revival and enlargement.

The Board has accordingly drafted for the young people a special Forward Movement Programme which should be set before them at all Young People's Rallies held within the Presbytery this year.

All Young People attending Church.

All Young People enlisted in Bible Study.

All Young People organized for training.

All Young People following the Church's Programme of Instruction, Worship and Training.

All Young People brought into full Church Membership.

All Young People challenged to definite Christian Service and Stewardship.

500 New Young People's Organizations.
50,000 New Members in Young People's Organizations.

1,000 Recruits for the Ministry and other Christian Life Callings (along with Sunday School).

20,000 New Leaders in Training (along with Sunday School).

One-fifteenth of the Congregation's share of Budget.

20 per cent. increase each year in offering to Rally Day Fund.

This Outline which was approved by Assembly is explained with practical suggestions and helps in the Board's "Report to Assembly" and in the Board's pamphlet for Young People, entitled "The Young People and the Continuation Programme of the Forward Movement."

FOR THE CHURCH

The General Board will through its Forward Movement Committee advise the Church fully and in due time of the objectives of its Continuation Programme, but as our Sunday School forces have been asked to work in co-operation with the General Forward Movement Committee this year we include here in brief the Church's projected programme.

1. **Call to Prayer**, on Sunday October 3, when Continuation Policy is explained to the Church and the new Cycle of Prayer inaugurated.

2. **Home Religion Campaign**, of which the watchword is "Home Religion in every Home in every congregation," begun on Sunday, October 31, with special sermons and the distribution of new Home Religion pamphlets.

3. **Life Service Sunday** Dec. 12, for which special literature is provided and on which a wide-spread campaign will be announced. In this it is expected the Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies will play a conspicuous part.

4. **Personal Evangelism** with which is associated Social Betterment is to receive special emphasis after the New Year, involving surveys for the Church and the Sunday School and looking forward to ingatherings at Easter Season. The Church's programme includes also special emphasis upon:

Sunday School Rally Day, Sunday September 25 with its Extension programme "Bring them all in."

Young People's Rally Day during Rally week (Sept. 25—Oct. 3) with its "Life Service" programme "Crusaders of Compassion."

Every Member Canvass for Budget Sunday November 28 and following week

Stewardship and Missions are among the objectives to be taken up in the autumn of 1921.

THE PROMOTION OF THE PROGRAMME

1. Organizing the Presbytery's S.S. and Y.P.S. Committee.

This is the Driving-wheel. If Presbytery Committees are not properly organized or are inactive all our promotion work is practically stalled as the Secretaries and Field Workers can touch but a very few points in our far-flung fields. Where necessary the Board is prepared to assist Conveners financially in overtaking this work. The Committee should have on it key men or women for departmental work such as Older Boy's Work, Older Girls' Work and Y.P. Work. It should also have representatives from each Township or District who would represent the Committee at Township and District Religious Education Conferences, the Convenor himself being ex-officio a member of the Religious Education Council of all Counties within the bounds of Presbytery. If the personnel of the Committee is insufficient for these duties the Convenor should make request at the first meeting of Presbytery for the addition of the requisite names.

2. Working in harmony with Co-operating Agencies.

This year's programme demands that the Presbytery Convenor should keep in closest touch with at least two important agencies. The first of these is the Forward Movement Committee of his own Presby-

tery, of which he should be a member. As the work of these two committees converge this year at several important points such as "Home Religion" and "Life Service" it will be necessary they should think and plan together. The other agency calling for co-operation is the Religious Education Council of all Townships, Cities or Counties within the bounds of Presbytery. Many of these Councils are now being reorganized on the new co-operative basis, and it is most important in the interest of both harmony and efficiency that the Presbytery's Convenor and Committee should be represented on and keep in closest touch with these various Councils within their bounds. Wherever opportunity can be secured in connection with the inter-denominational Conventions for denominational conference on our own special work it would be undesirable to hold Institutes of our own.

3. Getting before Presbytery.

There are three occasions when the S.S. and Y.P.S. Committee ought to secure a share of Presbytery's time. (1) At the inaugural or an early meeting, to lay before Presbytery the Committee's plans for the year. A special time should be secured by consulting the clerk in advance, the initial meeting of the Committee having been held before, and consultation having been held with other agencies, so that a wise and definite policy may be laid before

Presbytery. (2) Whenever through the season any special Sunday School or Young People's Convention is held or Movement inaugurated and (3) Late in the year when Committee's Report is presented There is usually little difficulty for any committee to get a hearing before Presbytery if it magnifies its work and has something definite and worth while to present. Conveners might very well this year consider the wisdom of arranging with Forward Movement Committees for a joint presentation of their work before Presbytery, especially at fall meeting.

4. Field Work.

The usual methods of promoting field work in the Presbytery are by Congregational Visitation or Pulpit exchange, by District S.S. and Y.P.S. Institutes and by Presbytery S.S. Conferences and Y.P. Rallies. These methods of promotion might be tried out in succession during a period of three years. If at all possible the Young People ought to meet by themselves once a year either in a Presbyterial or a District Rally and under their own management. This year as suggested before, the Committee may find it necessary or desirable to do its promotion work in co-operation with the Presbytery's Forward Movement Committee and in co-operation with the Religious Education Councils within the bounds.

5. SUGGESTED PROGRAMME

For a Congregational Visit.

Sermon on "Co-operation of Home and School in Religious Education." Conference with Session at close of service on Home Religion, and Church Attendance Plans for children. Address the Sunday School on Forward Movement. Conference at close of Sunday School with S.S. workers on "The Curriculum." If there is an Evening Service address the Young People on Life Service and hold a Conference with them at close of service on "Forward Movement Objectives for Young People."

For a District Institute.

In the afternoon (for Sunday School) "Co-operation of Home and Sunday School" and "Sunday School Evangelism and Extension."

Supper. Exhibit of Literature with explanatory talk. Sunday School Pamphlet distributed.

In the evening (for Young People) "Forward Movement Objectives" and "Life Service."

Offering to defray expenses.

Young People's 1920-21 pamphlet distributed.

For a Presbyterial Y.P. Rally.

(All Young People's Organizations, Adult Bible Classes, Christian Endeavor, Young People's Departments of Sunday Schools, Clubs and Organized Classes of

Older Boys and Girls over 16 years of age invited to send delegates).

Afternoon—1. Reports of Y.P. Organizations (by Roll Call)—meetings held, work done, money raised.

2. Papers of Short Talks followed by open discussion on three or four selected features of the Y.P.'s ten-point Standard.

3. Closing address on "Personal Evangelism" or "Extension Work" for Young People."

Supper and Social Hour with Songs, Group Games, etc.

Evening.—1. Address or brief papers by 2 or 3 young people on "Forward Movement Objectives for Young People."

2. "Call to Life Service."

Music and offering.

Distribution of Y.P. 1920-21 Pamphlet.

6. Literature.

The following new literature has been provided for this year's work:

On Home Religion.

"The Parent, the Child and the Home."

"The Congregation and Home Religion

Leaflet for Ministers with Sermon Suggestions.

On Life Service.

Pamphlet for Older Girls and Young Women.

Pamphlet for Older Boys and Young Men

On the Curriculum.

New series of leaflets for the joint use

of S.S. Teachers and parents, giving bird's eye view of entire programme required for each department of the School, with helpful suggestions.

On Forward Movement.

"Board's Report to Assembly."

"Sunday Schools' Share in the Church's Continuation Campaign."

"Young People and the Continuation Programme of the Forward Movement."

"Prospectus for Conveners and Leaders."

Books, etc.

New improved Topic Cards for Juniors, for Older Girls, for Older Boys, for Young People, 25c per dozen.

Mission Text Books for 1920-21 'Canada's Share in World Tasks,' (for young people) 50c and 75c.

"Canadian Heroes of Mission Fields Overseas" (for older boys and girls) 25c.

"The Maple Leaf in Many Lands (for Juniors) 50c.

Closing Word

The Board realizes that it is asking a good deal of men who are already busy pastors to assume the added responsibility of prosecuting so important and varied a work as is here outlined, and feels very grateful for their willingness to undertake it. Nevertheless it remains undisputed that there are very few services in the Church or out of it that a man might covet more to become an expert in, and few tasks of such surpassing importance as might justify anyone more in sacrificing himself to discharge.

